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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Y. Tom YANG et al.

Title: HUMAN SYNTHETASES

Appl. No.: 10/031,905

Filing Date: 01/18/2002

Examiner: David J. Steadman

Art Unit: 1652

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[X] Response to Restriction Requirement (5 pages).

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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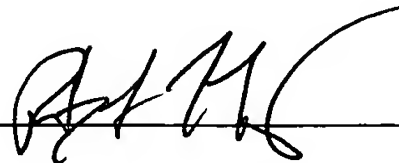
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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This communication is responsive to the non-final office action dated June 15, 2004, concerning the above-captioned application. As the shortened statutory period for response expires on July 15, 2004, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this document.